

CASE 33581-US-PCT

FILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL" UNDER 37 CFR 1.10	
EV 678112385 Express Mail Label Number	June 16, 2006 Date of Deposit

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE PCT NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF

MENART ET AL.

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO: PCT/SI2004/000043

FILED: 22 DECEMBER 2004

U.S. APPLICATION NO:

35 USC §371 DATE:

FOR: A PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION COMPRISING AN ACTIVE  
PRINCIPLE AND SULPHOBETAINE

**MS: Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

PO Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This paper is being filed within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.491 of the international application. Therefore, no fees are required. If a fee is deemed to be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0134.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants wish to call the Examiner's attention to the references cited on the attached form(s) PTO-1449.

These references were cited in a search report in a corresponding application. Copies of these references and the search report are enclosed herewith.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

**AP20 Rec'd PCT/PTO 16 JUN 2006**

Respectfully submitted,

Novartis  
Corporate Intellectual Property  
One Health Plaza, Building 104  
East Hanover, NJ 07936-1080  
(609) 627-8735

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Joyce Luk  
Attorney for Applicants  
Reg. No. 51,975

Date: June 16 2006

FORM PTO-1449  
(REV. 7-85)U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICEATTY. DOCKET NO.  
33581-US-PCT.  
APPLICATION NO.

Sheet 1 of 1

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION

(Use several sheets if necessary)

APPLICANT

MENART ET AL.

FILING DATE

Group

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE
/CMW/	AA	5,550,416	3/19/96	Miyazawa et, al.			
/CMW/	AB	6,103,683	8/15/00	Romano et, al			
/CMW/	AC	6,838,089	1/4/05	Carlsson et, al.			
	AD						
	AE						
	AF						
	AG						
	AH						
	AI						
	AJ						
	AK						
	AL						

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	OFFICE	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
							YES	NO
	AM						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	AN						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	AO						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	AP						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	AQ						<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent pages, Etc.)

	AR	
	AS	
	AT	

EXAMINER

/Cherie M. Woodward/

DATE CONSIDERED

08/18/2008

\*EXAMINER: Initial of reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609: Draw a line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include a copy of this form with the next communication to applicant.